GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA

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ROYALTY TO MINERALS PRODUCING STATES
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the amount paid to mineral producing States as royalty during each of the last three years, State and Union Territory-wise;

(b) the rate of royalty per tonne on minerals; as on date;

(c) whether the government is contemplating to give the right to revise royalty rates to the concerned States;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF MINES(SHRI SIS RAM OLA)

(a) Royalty rates on major minerals (other than coal, lignite & sand for stowing) are notified by the Central Government but accrual therefrom is collected by State Government concerned and therefore, details are not centrally maintained.

(b) Existing rates of royalty on major minerals (other than coal, lignite & sand for stowing) are available on the web site of Ministry of Mines (www.mines.nic.in)

(c) to (e) State Governments are already empowered to revise rates of royalty for minor minerals notified under section 3(e) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957. Keeping in view of the importance of the major minerals and to keep uniformity of royalty rates for major minerals all over the country, the Central Government has been notifying rates for major minerals.